

NEVADA HILLS' RICH ORE VEIN

STRIKE ADDS UNTOLD WEALTH TO THE GREAT ORE RESERVE.

With so many properties showing up with surface and underground strikes at various points in the district, and sensational discoveries to attract the attention for the time being, the depression in prices nipping everybody's toes, banks suspending, values shrinking and the end not yet in sight, it is a good time to contemplate the condition of affairs on Nevada Hills, where no official daily reports are sent out, no information heralded except every three months when the dividend checks are distributed, but where the work of making these dividends continues with clock-like regularity and where 90 miners, under the direction of Manager W. H. Webber, are delving every hour of the twenty-four for the marvelous riches that are yielded by the world's greatest gold and silver mine.

The Mohawk is shut down, Consolidated shares are on the toboggan slide, carrying all other Nevada securities with them, including Nevada Hills, and other Fairview stocks that are suffering the general decline, though in less proportion than the Goldfields, but our great mine goes on as ever, producing and shipping more than 1000 sacks every day of the week and months, of ore that nets the company \$4000 per car. Here is a sight that is good to look upon at the present moment; here is the mine that has not been victimized by the bad management of avaricious operators; here is the mine that is not affected by the stock-jobbing of a few manipulators at San Francisco; here the one bright spot in the entire State.

Just at this time, when the investor does not know which way to turn, the Nevada Hills mine is the beacon light for this district, surrounded by its dozens of bright prospects and half-dozen budding mines, in addition to the several that have proven ore shoots from which they may ship to the smelter. The whole makes a showing for the camp that shines brighter as the general situation becomes darker. As a matter of fact Fairview stands more than ever pre-eminent in Nevada by contrast with its sister camps. And it all comes from the fact that we are able to deliver the goods; starting in with the Nevada Hills as a grass-roots shipper, the subsequent developments have followed in such rapid succession and with such telling effect that the name of Fairview has become a synonym for real mining and the camp is today above and superior to all others in the State, in the mind of the investing public.

But when we say that the Nevada Hills is going along in the same old way, we speak of it as a producing mine, with its \$3,000,000 in ore actually blocked out between the tunnel No. 5 and the surface; this ore reserve was demonstrated months ago, and since then the breaking of the stopes has simply been in proportion to the capacity of the freight teams to haul away the output. But the development work has never stopped for a moment, and while the public has marvelled at the ore reserve demonstrated in less than a year, the management has continued the exploration work until the works are open on three sides of \$5,000,000 in high grade values.

And still the mine is doing more than holding its own in production, and exploration work that increases the ore reserve. New strikes are constantly being made, and the richness of the mine is constantly unfolding itself in new directions and in enlarged proportions. Occasionally a demonstration is made that affects adjoining properties, as in the case of the showing made west of the fault several weeks ago, chronicled in the News, and of which we shall hear much more in the near future, as soon as development work can be prosecuted at that point.

A strike has been made this week in the east drift from tunnel No. 5, where the ore shoot is developed in big form, and with values running into the hundreds; the importance of this strike may be measured properly by those only who watched the search for the ore in tunnel No. 1 a year ago. At that time very little depth had been obtained and this deep crosscut was expected to open the ore at the 160-foot level, demonstrating sufficient backs to send the stock to par. The expected never happened, as the tunnel No. 1 passed through the vein in a practically barren spot, but so many other developments were made, at so many different points of good depth that the work in tunnel No. 1 has been neglected by everyone but the manager, who has kept up the search until this week he is rewarded by the most sat-

isfactory results that could be desired.

Tunnel No. 5 has been producing ore for months, ever since the second big ore house and sorting room was established at its portal, but the product has been dropped down from the chutes that were put in to handle the ore blocked out by the winze from tunnel No. 1; now that the vein is tapped at the level of No. 1, the product there will rival that of tunnel No. 5, through which the bulk of the company's ore made its exit up to the time the leasing shaft was taken over, October 1st. Were it not for the fact that so many big developments are constantly being made the importance of this latest development would create a sensation; that it hands hundreds of thousands of dollars to the present ore reserves is conceded, while it may lead up to discoveries west of tunnel No. 1 that are still more important.

The most remarkable record about the whole mine is that maintained by the winze from the level of tunnel No. 5; a small hoist, operating underground, has been employed at this point for several months, until a depth of 140 feet has been obtained, making a total depth of 250 feet on the ore shoot at this point, the greatest depth so far reached. This winze has passed through a solid ore body all the way, the width varying from 6 to 14 feet at intervals, and the great shipping values being everywhere present. Notwithstanding the series of faults encountered, the continuity of the vein has been proved to exceed 1000 feet, so that every foot of depth in this winze blocks out values that run into astonishing figures; from the knowledge we have of the mine to the present date, it is conservative to state that every foot of depth in this winze proves up \$50,000 in high grades alone, to say nothing of milling values.

Nevada Hills is now working 90 men, the largest pay roll in its history. The increase is largely due to the fact that the main working shaft taken over from the leasing company is working full blast, and great production is being maintained at that point. With a railroad to Fallon the working force of the mine would easily total 250 and possibly 350. The mine is now equipped with a big hoisting plant, in addition to the tunnels Nos. 1 and 5, from which the stoped product is brought. There are three ore houses and sorting rooms, and ten cars of ore per day could be handled expeditiously and economically with no additional equipment, and the putting on of more men alone.—Fairview News.

NO SUCH PLACE AS MANHATTAN

WELL KNOWN BROKER AND PROMOTER ON FUTURE OF CAMP.

One of the men who has stood by Manhattan from start to finish is C. E. Mayne, the well known broker and promoter of the camp. Mr. Mayne is as confident of the future of the camp today as he was when he first went there; the outlook is better from all view points, according to his judgment. He is a financier of no mean standing, and his abilities in that line have been amply tested in the metropolitan cities, but for the present there is no place that appeals to him as does Manhattan.

"They cannot keep the camp down," said Mr. Mayne, yesterday. "It has long since passed the stage of development, and will force itself to the front on its own merits. We have the ore, and now we have the mills to convert the ore into money. And now that we have one of the mills in operation, we are finding the richest kind of high grade. We have made no mistake, however, in putting up the mills, for Manhattan is a high grade milling camp."

SACKING #02 ORE.

Shandon Bells Is Making an Excellent Showing.

The Shandon Bells Mining company, which recently bonded a group of ten claims from Winters and Tiedman, located at the extreme western end of Eldorado canyon, has blossomed into a shipper within less than thirty days after assuming control of the property. The work of development is under the direction of Superintendent E. H. McLaughlin, whose experience as a practical mining man in various parts of the world is fast making a mine of the property. To date two shafts are being sent down rapidly, in one of which sufficient high grade ore to warrant marketing is now being sacked. The other shaft is a single compartment vertical and is destined to open up an ore body of known magnitude and richness.

So rapid has been the pace set at the Shandon Bells that but a temporary camp has been established, and tents are being utilized for do-

mestic habitations. Specifications have been drawn for a bunkhouse, office buildings and kitchen, the latter of which will be part cement, and as soon as these accommodations are ready for occupancy the force now employed will be trebled.

In the shaft showing the bonanza copper-gold rock workmen have opened a two-foot vein that dips into the 50-foot ledge to the north, and which, it is believed, leads to the big ore body below. The shaft is being sent down on an incline following the vein, and it is during the progress of this work that the shipment of ore is coming to the surface. Already some ten tons of rock is on the dump, and a contract has been let to Tom Dean to pack it by burro train to the Searchlight road, where Sherwood and Boyers will haul it to the Santa Fe railroad. This ore will average about \$90 per ton.

Superintendent McLaughlin, in starting his working shaft, estimated that he would cut the vein at about 100 feet, but at a depth of something like fifty feet heavily stained copper rock appeared, and the entire shaft is now penetrating this mineral, which is of a moderate grade of richness.

During these developments Mr. McLaughlin has been assisted by Mr. Charles B. Hebron, whose reputation as a geologist is international. Mr. Hebron has made a careful study of the territory, and is now in Santa Barbara, where he went to make his report to President Allison and associates.

To a News representative Mr. Hebron consented to give out a short summary of what his report would be, and it is flattering in the extreme, not only to this entire mineral section, but to the Shandon Bells in particular.

"I find the veins large and well mineralized," said Mr. Hebron, "and there is room in the immense ledges for untold mineral bodies. From what I have seen on the surface, and from a superficial examination of the entire group, I should say that this property gives promise of developing into one of the biggest in Nevada. It will take depth to make a mine; it always does; and I would advise sinking at least 500 feet immediately. There need be no fear as to the permanency of the ledges, for they are of great size and appear fissures. Of course one can judge only by showing in the workings; after that mining is conducted on a gamble with geology. With the geological conditions favorable and shipping ore in sight the prospects are very bright."

"I am very favorably impressed with what country I have seen hereabouts, and it would appear that the true mineral zone is immense in dimensions."

"The ore I have seen in the Shandon Bells is a chalcopryite showing considerable bornite, or peacock copper, and is surrounded by exceptionally favorable conditions."

In his report to the company Mr. Hebron covers the geological field exhaustively and comprehensively, and his work will be a great boon to the mining industry in the immediate vicinity of upper Eldorado canyon.—Searchlight News.

HEAVY ORE SHIPMENTS.

More ore has gone out from Wonder to the smelters this week than any previous week in the history of the district. From the upper workings on the Nevada Wonder, about sixteen tons have been shipped within the last few days. The average value of this ore is said to run close to \$400 a ton. From a third to a half the values are in gold. About 100 sacks a day of this remarkably high grade are being made ready for shipment, and there are now nearly a thousand sacks awaiting the tardy arrival of the freight teams.

The week's record of shipments from the Jack Pot was thirteen tons up to Friday. At this time General Manager Harris was momentarily expecting the wagons upon which he hoped to ship ten tons more before the week was out. He keeps a careful tab on the rock consigned to the smelter, and says that the average value crowds close upon \$375 to the ton. This ore is being taken mainly from the drifts on the 200 and 300-foot levels. The present shaft will be sunk no farther, prospecting being now in progress to determine the best site for the permanent shaft, which will have two compartments, and will be so timbered as to permit the easy addition of a third compartment. The 50-horsepower engine and hoist will be installed on this shaft.

From the Vulture ten tons of ore have been sent out this week. The shipments from this property, as from the others, are greatly hampered by the lack of teams. If the teaming facilities had been adequate the week's shipments from the Vulture would have totaled twenty-five tons. A carload of Vulture ore is now at the railroad terminus at Fallon, and is to be sent on to the smelter immediately. It is announced that the first shipment from the Ruby will be made in a few days.

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